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MATERIALS

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(Twice Amended) A method for the treatment of a length of bagged material which comprises;

mounting an open end of a large flexible bag and a gathered portion of the bag onto a bag filling machine,

filling the bag through the open end with material to be stored and treated during storage, said filling including the progressive deployment of the gathered portion of the bag,

during the bag filling process directing a perforated conduit from the machine and through the open end of the bag into the material contained in the bag and upon filling the bag providing thereby a perforated conduit extended substantially through the entire length of the badged material, extending an end of the

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